

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended). A pallet, comprising:

5 a base member having top and bottom surfaces, said top surface defining first and second spaced apart openings near an edge of said top surface;

10 ~~a plurality of~~ four hollow legs extending downwardly from said bottom surface and defining ~~a passageway~~ lateral and a transverse passageways below said bottom surface adapted to receive lifting forks;

15 ~~a plurality of~~ four wheel means, one for each hollow leg ~~of said plurality of hollow legs~~, each said wheel means being fastened to said base member inside an associated hollow leg and extending downwardly from said base member to an elevation below said associated hollow leg so that said wheel means is free to move said base member while being generally obscured from view by said associated hollow leg;

20 a handle having first and second upright members having bottom end portions removably inserted in said first and second spaced apart openings and a horizontal member connecting top portions of said first and second upright members; and

25 first and second flanges attached to said bottom end portions of said first and second upright members, said flanges resting on said top surface when said upright members are inserted in said first and second openings.

Claim 2 (Original). A pallet, as set forth in claim 1, including a panel attached to said first and second upright members below said horizontal member.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended). A pallet, as set forth in claim 1, wherein said top surface of said base member has third and fourth spaced apart openings near an opposed edge of said top surface, and including a bin having a sidewall and a bottom with two spaced apart downwardly extending protrusions 5 removably inserted in said third and fourth openings of said base member.

Claims 4-5 (Cancelled).

Claim 6 (Currently Amended). A pallet, as set forth in ~~claim 4~~, claim 3 wherein said sidewall is closed and said first and second upright members of said handle are inside said closed sidewall.

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Claims 7-8 (Cancelled).

Claim 9 (Currently Amended). A pallet, as set forth in claim 13 ~~claim 8~~, wherein said legs are detachably attached to said first shelf.

Claim 10 (Cancelled).

Claim 11 (Currently Amended). A pallet, as set forth in claim 13 ~~claim 10~~, including a second shelf positioned atop said first shelf, said second shelf having a plurality of legs adapted to fit into a plurality of openings in a top surface 5 of said first shelf to detachably attach said second shelf to said first shelf.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended). A pallet, comprising:

a base member having top and bottom surfaces, said top surface defining first and second ~~spaced apart openings near~~
an openings spaced from one another and from a first edge of
5 said top ~~surface and~~ surface, said top surface defining third and fourth openings spaced from one another and from a second
~~spaced apart openings near an~~ opposed edge of said top surface;

a plurality of hollow legs extending downwardly from
10 said bottom surface and defining a passageway below said bottom surface;

a plurality of wheel means, one for each leg of said plurality of hollow legs, each said wheel means being fastened to said base member inside an associated hollow leg and
15 extending downwardly from said base member to an elevation below said associated leg so that said wheel means is free to move said base ~~member, and~~ member;

a bin ~~having a~~ having an upright sidewall and a bottom, said bottom having four spaced apart downwardly
20 extending protrusions removably inserted in said first, second third and fourth openings of said base, said bottom having a smaller area than said base member creating a ledge on said base member about said bin; and

a shelf attached to said upstanding sidewall and
25 positioned inside said bin.

Claim 13 (New). A pallet, comprising:

a base member having top and bottom surfaces, said top surface defining first and second spaced apart openings near an edge of said top surface, said top surface having a plurality of leg openings positioned closer to a center of said top surface than said first and second openings;

a plurality of hollow legs extending downwardly from said bottom surface defining lateral and transverse passageways below said bottom surface adapted to receive lifting forks;

a plurality of wheel means, one for each hollow leg of said plurality of hollow legs, each said wheel means being fastened to said base member inside an associated hollow leg and extending downwardly from said base member to an elevation below said associated hollow leg so that said wheel means is free to move said base member while being generally obscured from view by said associated hollow leg;

a handle having first and second upright members having bottom end portions removably inserted in said handle openings and a horizontal member connecting top portions of said first and second upright members; and

first and second flanges attached to said bottom end portions of said first and second upright members, said flanges resting on said top surface when said upright members are inserted in said first and second openings; and

a first shelf having a plurality of legs and being positioned on said top surface, said plurality of legs being removably received in said leg openings.